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DURING SETSUBUN,
YOU THINK IT'S THE DEMON BUT
YOU HEAR "OH PARTNER".

THIS WEEK'S ESP HAIKU IS BY YAMAGISHI SHINO-SAN (30) FROM CHIBA.

71 TN: SETSUBUN IS A HOLIDAY IN FEBRUARY WHERE YOU THROW BEANS AT DEMONS (OR PEOPLE PRETENDING TO BE DEMONS) TO KEEP BAD LUCK OUT OF THE HOUSE.

TODAY'S SATURDAY.

GOOD MORNING KU-CHAN~

IF YOU DON'T HURRY YOU'LL BE LATE FOR SCHOOL.

MY MOTHER IS, TO PUT IT SIMPLY, DITZY.

WELL, THE WORD "DITZY" MIGHT BE A BIT STRONG...

IT'S MORE LIKE SHE'S A LITTLE AIR HEADED, OR JUST OUT OF IT SOME-TIMES...

I ALREADY MADE BOTH YOUR LUNCHES TOO...

HUH? YOU DON'T HAVE SCHOOL TODAY?

OH DEAR! I GOT MIXED UP!

OH NO! I THOUGHT YOU WANTED ME TO WASH THEM SO I PUT THEM IN WITH THE LAUNDRY!

OPEN

MAMA~ ...

THE TOWEL AND CHANGE OF CLOTHES I LEFT BY THE BATH DIS-APPEARED...

DRIP

DRIP

SHE'S SO STUPID IT'S SAD.

AH! I FORGOT TO COOK THE RICE!!

WHAT SHOULD I DO WITH THESE LUNCHES...

I EVEN WOKE UP EXTRA EARLY TO MAKE THIS CURRY...

NEVERMIND. SHE'S NOT DITZY. SHE'S AN IDIOT.

KU-CHAN!! PAPA!! BIG NEWS!!

FOR EXAMPLE, THIS HAPPENED JUST THE OTHER DAY...

HOT!! YOU JUST SPILLED CURRY ON ME!!

MORE IMPORTANTLY, WILL YOU TASTE TEST THIS CURRY FOR ME?

INCIDENTS LIKE THIS ARE AN EVERY DAY THING FOR MY MOM.

SHE DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO DOUBT OTHERS EITHER, SO SHE'S ALWAYS GETTING INTO TROUBLE.

I JUST WON THE LOTTERY!!

WE WON 60 MILLION YEN!!

WHAAT !?

TA-DAH!! LOOK AT THIS!!

YUP! I JUST PAID THE TRANSFER FEE SO WE'RE ALL SET!!

I GUESS YOU CAN WIN LOTTERIES WITHOUT EVEN BUYING TICKETS~

HEHEH

BUT THERE WAS SOMEONE LIKE THAT RIGHT UNDER MY NOSE.

I DID! JUST LOOK AT THIS E-MAIL!

...HUH? E-MAIL?

LIFT

YOU DID!? SERIOUS-LY?

EVERY TIME I GET ONE OF THESE I THINK "WHO WOULD EVER FALL FOR THIS"...

INBOX

...THE TRANSFER FEE IS...

180 THOUSAND ...YEN!?

CLANK

AND OF COURSE, I MAKE SURE THEY ALL END UP LOCKED AWAY.

MUTTER MUTTER

I KNOW A STOCK THAT'S GUARANTEED TO GO UP.

THERE'S AN EVIL SPIRIT POSSESS-ING YOU..

I'VE GOT SOME PILLS HERE THAT'LL MAKE YOU FEEL GOOD~

BECAUSE OF THIS, MY MOM GETS TRICKED SO OFTEN YOU COULD CALL IT A HABIT.

SAY AHH~

IT MAY BE THAT I WAS BORN WITH THIS POWER IN ORDER TO PROTECT MY MOM.

IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN I'LL HAVE TO DO MY BEST TO PROTECT HER.

I'LL BE HEADING OUT THEN!

OPEN

I'M WORRIED SOME PEST MIGHT TRY TO FLIRT WITH HER...

A CLASS REUNION... NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT SHE DID SAY SOMETHING ABOUT THAT.

WOULD YOU PUT SOME CLOTHES ON ALREADY, YOU PEST?

A CLASS REUNION.

SHE SAID THIS YEAR THEY'RE HAVING IT IN THE CITY INSTEAD OF THE COUNTRY-SIDE.

HM? WHERE'S MOM GOING?

SHUT

WOW~

WHITE ROOM SATONAKA COMPANY YEAR END PARTY

CRANE ROOM REMOTE MUNICIPALITY'S ADAMS APPLE MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASS REUNION

ROUND ROOM DEMPAGUMI.INC FAN CLUB YEAR END PARTY

I JUST HOPE NOTHING BAD HAPPENS...

THAT VOICE...

!

HUH? IS THAT YOU SAIKI?

STEP

I'M SO NERVOUS! AFTER ALL, IT'S BEEN OVER 20 YEARS SINCE I GRADUATED~

I WONDER IF I'LL BE ABLE TO RECOGNIZE EVERYONE, HEHEH.

HEY SAIKI!

HE WAS REALLY POPULAR WITH ALL THE GIRLS AND ALWAYS SEEMED LIKE HE WAS SHINING...

IS THAT THE CAPTAIN OF THE TENNIS CLUB, MASUDA-KUN...?

SHIIINE

20 YEARS LATER AND HE'S STILL SHINING...!

HAHA, I SEE YOU STILL HAVE YOUR OLD HABIT OF SHIELDING YOUR EYES WHENEVER YOU SEE ME~

SHII INE

HEY SAIKI!

YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TO ANY OF OUR CLASS REUNIONS BACK HOME SO YOU HAVEN'T SEEN THEM YET, RIGHT?

HEH, IF YOU THINK I'VE CHANGED, WAIT UNTIL YOU SEE EVERYONE ELSE.

YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED AT ALL, SAIKI~!

WOW

IT'S BEEN SO LONG MASUDA-KUN!

IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE CHANGED A LITTLE THOUGH, MASUDA-KUN!

OHH! THIS BRINGS ME BACK.

WOW

WOW KURUMI! LONG TIME NO SEE!

MIDDLE SCHOOL SS REUNION

IT'S BEEN OVER 20 YEARS, HASN'T IT!

CRANE ROOM.

LASS NION

COME WITH ME, I'LL SHOW YOU.

OPEN

CHATTER

CHATTER

OUR CLASS'S MADONNA, SAIKI HAS ARRIVED!

HUH...? ONLY THIS MANY PEOPLE?

WELL WHAT CAN YOU DO.

.....

SILENCE

OH! THAT'S RIGHT.

WE GET MORE WHEN WE HOLD THESE BACK HOME THOUGH...

THERE AREN'T MANY PEOPLE WHO WOULD COME OUT THIS FAR.

OF COURSE I DO~!

UMM.. UHH..

DO YOU REMEMBER ME?

SAIKI-SAN, IT'S BEEN A WHILE!

WELL, IT HAS BEEN 20 YEARS SO I CAN'T BLAME YOU...

HERE... DO YOU REMEMBER THIS SCAR?

LIFT

UHHH.. EHEH... EHEHE HEH...

SAIKI-SAN!? YOU'RE SWEATING A LOT!

SWEAT...

AH!!

SCAR? IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY, THE ONE WITH THE SCAR WAS...

YEAH... I HAD TO GROW UP SOME TIME...

I COULDN'T RECOGNIZE YOU AT ALL! SO YOU REFORMED?

YOUR FACE IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT TOO! I CAN'T BELIEVE IT~

HEY HEY, SPARE ME THE PAST STORIES.

(BEFORE)

DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE SUGIYAMA-KUN!?

THE DELINQUENT FROM CLASS 1 WHO EVEN THE TEACHERS COULDN'T LAY A HAND ON...?

BO

OM

WHAAAT!? DIDN'T YOU CHANGE A LITTLE TOO MUCH!?

-SAN...

.....

MUMBLE-

SAWA...

YOU JUST TRIED TO MUMBLE YOUR WAY THROUGH THAT, DIDN'T YOU?

Y...YEAH! TH-THAT'S RIGHT...

...HUH? OH.

OH CUT IT OUT YOU-

GRAB

HE REALLY SURPRISED ME TOO~ I CAN'T BELIEVE HE CHANGED THIS MUCH.

THERE'S NO WAY I COULD RECOGNIZE YOU THEN!

YUP.

I GOT A SEX CHANGE.

IT MIGHT BE FASTER JUST TO GO THROUGH AND RE-INTRODUCE EVERYONE.

SEE? EVERYONE'S CHANGED, RIGHT?

MOLE...?

OH!

LOOK! DON'T YOU REMEMBER THIS MOLE?

HEY, DON'T TELL ME YOU FORGOT WHO I AM?

HEHEH... YOU GOT IT.

(BEFORE)

BO

DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE NAKAMORI-KUN!?

Y... YOU CHANGED GENDERS!?

OM

HI MRS. SAIKI.

AND THE ONE ON THE LEFT IS KUBOTA-SAN.

THE GUY IN THE MIDDLE IS OHTA.

THE GUY ON THE RIGHT IS HOSOKAWA.

BUT SHE'S A DIFFERENT NATIONALITY!?

HEY SAIKI.

ARE YOU SURE YOU DON'T HAVE THAT BACKWARDS!?

HEY SAIKI.

WOW! HE LOST A LOT OF WEIGHT!

NOT TO MENTION YOUR OLDEST IS STUDYING AT CAMBRIDGE RIGHT NOW! THAT'S AMAZ...

THAT'S NOT TRUE! YOU GOT MARRIED AND HAD TWO KIDS, RIGHT SAIKI-SAN?

HUH?

WELL... IT'S BEEN 20 YEARS, SO A LOT HAS HAPPENED.

EVERYONE'S CHANGED SO MUCH! I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!

I GUESS I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO HASN'T REALLY CHANGED, ASIDE FROM GETTING OLDER~

I SEE~

BUT IN ANY CASE, EVERYONE'S HERE SO LET'S START THE PARTY!

OH... THAT'S RIGHT. I RAN INTO YOUR MOTHER THE OTHER DAY AND SHE TOLD ME.

I DON'T REMEMBER TELLING ANY OF MY OLD FRIENDS ABOUT IT...

HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT?

!

...PHEW... THAT WAS CLOSE...

CHEERS!

THEN IN HONOR OF OUR REUNITING... CHEERS!!

...THAT'S RIGHT!

YEAAHH

YES, NONE OF THE PARTICIPANTS OTHER THAN ME ARE ACTUALLY OUR CLASSMATES. THEY'RE ALL JUST PEOPLE I HIRED.

SAIKI-SAN... IT WAS ALL IN ORDER-TO GET CLOSER TO YOU!

THAT THIS CLASS REUNION IS ALL A LIE!!

SHE ALMOST FOUND OUT...

BO

OM

WHAT AN AMAZING SON... HEHEHEH...

THE PATENTS AND LICENSES FOR THE THINGS YOUR OLDEST SON INVENTED WHILE IN SCHOOL HAVE APPARENTLY AMASSED QUITE A FORTUNE...

Q. WHY DID YOU START YOUR BUSINESS?

I WANTED MONEY TO PLAY AROUND.

MORE IMPORTANTLY, I KNOW ALL ABOUT IT, SAIKI-SAN.

HONESTLY IF ONLY I'D FOUND SOME PEOPLE WHO RESEMBLED THEM MORE CLOSELY, I WOULDN'T HAVE TO BE THIS WORRIED. BUT WHATEVER

SO I CAN PLUCK ALL THE MONEY I CAN FROM YOU! FWAHAHAHAHA!

THIS CLASS REUNION WAS ALL JUST A TRICK TO GET CLOSER TO YOU...

HUHH!? SANTA ISN'T REAL!?

I KNOW THAT YOU'RE TRUSTING AND STUPID ENOUGH THAT YOU COULD APPEND THE WORD "INCREDIBLY" TO THOSE DESCRIPTORS!

N MIDDLE SCHOOL YEAR 3

I'M SURE YOU WON'T JUST SIT IDLY BY KUKUKU

IF I MENTION THAT I'M HAVING SOME MONEY PROBLEMS

HM?

HOW ABOUT I PLUCK ALL THE REMAINING HAIR FROM YOUR HEAD?

OR I COULD PLUCK YOUR WHOLE HEAD FROM YOUR NECK.

FLOAT

...?

MUST BE MY IMAGI-NATION...

...GOOD GRIEF.

NOW THEN, WHAT SHOULD I DO...

IT WOULD BE SIMPLE ENOUGH FOR ME TO SHOW UP AND REVEAL HIS EVIL DEEDS...

WHO

I'VE BEEN WATCHING THIS WHOLE TIME, BUT NORMALLY WOULDN'T YOU NOTICE THAT SOMETHING WAS STRANGE BY NOW? SERIOUSLY...

I HAD A BAD FEELING SO I CAME TO CHECK, AND IT TURNS OUT I WAS RIGHT.

SH

IF POSSIBLE, I WANT TO END THIS WITHOUT MY MOM FINDING OUT.

I GUESS I'LL AIM FOR THE MOMENT HE GOES OFF ALONE TO THE BATH-ROOM OR SOMETHING...

HUH!? THE COMPANY WHERE THEY WORK THE MANGAKA LIKE DOGS WHILE THE EMPLOYEES USE COMPANY MONEY TO GO VISIT CABARET CLUBS!?

THAT'S SHUEI-SHA.

MY HUSBAND IS WORKING AS AN EDITOR FOR SHUENSHA.

BUT THAT BALDY IS STILL ONE OF MOM'S FORMER CLASSMATES.

BESIDES, IF SHE KNEW SHE WAS BEING USED TO GET HER SON'S MONEY IT WOULD PROBABLY LEAVE A DEEP SCAR.

HUH!? THEN IT'S THE COMPANY WHERE EVERY TIME THERE'S A COMPANY VACATION SOMEONE GETS NAKED IN PUBLIC SO THEY'RE BANNED FROM ALMOST EVERY INN...?

THAT'S ALSO SHUEISHA.

AH, PERFECT TIMING.

CREAK...

★ THIS IS A WORK OF FICTION. THERE IS NO RELATION TO ANY REAL PEOPLE, PLACES, OR EVENTS.

FREE

DON'T MOVE.

ZF

!!

GENTLEMEN

CREAK...

PHEW...

WSSS

HHHH

!?
WH...WHAT!?
SOMEONE'S VOICE IS SOUNDING DIRECTLY IN MY HEAD...

STAY AWAY FROM SAIKI KURUMI.

STEP

WHAT... WHAT'S GOING ON...?

!?
...WH-WHAT THE!? I CAN'T MOVE!!

Y-Y-Y-YES SIR!!

I'LL CRUSH ONE OF YOUR BALLS.

WHAT DID I EVER DO TO YOU!? HEY!?

WH-WHO IS IT!? THE GUY BEHIND ME.....!?

DON'T SAY ANYTHING OTHER THAN "YES SIR".

IF YOU SAY ANYTHING OTHER THAN THAT...

DON'T MAKE ANY UNNECES-SARY SOUNDS.

I THINK I DRANK A LITTLE TOO MUCH...

OH DEAR! THIS IS THE BOY'S RESTROOM, ISN'T IT!!

!!

SIGH~ ...

OPEN

AH!!

WHSH

OH NO!!

I NEVER THOUGHT A WOMAN WOULD ENTER THE BOY'S REST-ROOM...

OH NO! WHAT HAP-PENED!?

S... SAIKI-SAN

CHATTER CHATTER

MASUDA-KUN!?

WAIT... HUH!?

DASH

I'LL GO CALL FOR HELP!

I... I WAS SUDDENLY ATTACKED...

THAT WAS SAIKI'S YOUNGEST SON!! I'VE ONLY SEEN HIM IN PICTURES, BACK WHEN I WAS INVESTIGATING THEIR FAMILY... BUT THERE'S NO MISTAKE...!

HE CAUGHT A GLIMPSE OF MY FACE.

WHAT HAP-PENED!? HEY!?

WHOOSH

...THAT GUY JUST NOW...

GOOD GRIEF. THIS HAS GOTTEN BAD...

IT SEEMS...

WHOOSH

MY SON!?

YEAH... YOUR YOUNGEST ...

I THINK HIS NAME WAS KUSUO-KUN...

W... WHY...?

BO

...IT WAS YOUR SON...

DRIP ...

HUH!?

OM

HOW COULD YOU RAISE A SON LIKE THIS?

...WHAT A PAIN.

I'M GOING TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF THIS...!

INTENSE

KUKUKU... I DON'T KNOW WHY HER SON ATTACKED ME, BUT THIS IS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY...!

THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO KNOW...

JUST LOOK AT THIS BLOOD.

THAT'S RIGHT!! I'M SORRY, WE MAY BE FORMER CLASSMATES BUT THIS IS A PROBLEM!

KUSUO... USED FORCE AGAINST YOU?

...FOR NO REASON?

LOOKS LIKE I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO TELL HER EVERY-THING...

INTENSE

I DIDN'T ATTACK HIM. I WAS ABOUT TO THOUGH.

TO THINK HE EVEN HAD FAKE BLOOD WITH HIM...

BUT MOM ALWAYS TRUSTS PEOPLE WHOLE-HEARTEDLY ...

...NO WAY...

AND DON'T THINK THIS CAN BE SOLVED WITH JUST AN APOLOGY!

BAM
QUIT LYING, YOU JERK!!
CRACK
HEY... WAIT- GWAH!!
GRIEN
KUSUO WOULD NEVER ATTACK SOMEONE FOR NO GOOD REASON!!
POW
PUN
THERE'S NO WAY YOU IDIOT!!
CH

QUIT FUCKING AROUND!!
BOOM CRACK POW
GOOD GRIEF...

C...CALM DOWN...
EEP...
EEEEK!!
NO MATTER HOW NAIVE I AM, I WON'T FALL FOR SOME-THING LIKE THAT!!

AH! KU-CHAN!
GRAB
I THINK I WAS BORN TO PROTECT PEOPLE *FROM* HER.

YOU BALD FREAK!! GRAH!!
POW CRACK BAM
THUD
STEP
MAYBE I WASN'T BORN TO PROTECT HER...

FREE
ZE
!!

CREAK...
PHEW...
WSSS
HHHH

!?
WH...
WHAT!?
THERE'S
SOMEONE
BEHIND
ME...
!!
STEP

WHAT...
WHAT'S
GOING
ON...?
!?
...WH-
WHAT THE!?
I CAN'T
MOVE!!

WHAT
DO YOU
WANT!?
...SERIOUSLY,
WHAT'S GOING
ON HERE!?
WHY WON'T
HE SAY
ANYTHING!?
HEY...

.....?
WH...WHAT
IS IT!?
S...SAY
SOMETHING
ALREADY!!
WHY ARE
YOU JUST
STANDING
SILENTLY
BEHIND A
MAN WHO'S
TAKING A
PISS!?
WH-WHO
IS IT!?
WHAT DO
THEY WANT
WITH
ME....!?